

OVER THE VALLEY

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Wed—
Saturday morning at the Presbyterian manse, 900 Pennsylvania, in La Grande, Mrs. Dora Choate Bonnette, of Summerville, and John D. Skaggs, of La Grande, were united in marriage. Rev. George Walls, of the Presbyterian church reading the service. Mr. and Mrs. Skaggs will have their home in Summerville. Both are very well known in this valley.

At E. O. N.—
Frank and Loyd McCoy, prominent young men of Enterprise, have come to La Grande during the past week and enrolled for work at the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

Arnoldus Funeral—
Funeral services for the late C. H. Arnoldus, well known resident of the valley, were held Sunday afternoon at Summerville. Rev. Mr. Mortimer, of La Grande, conducted the service and Mrs. L. R. Purdy sang. The interment was in the Summerville cemetery, the pallbearers being former neighbors in the Pleasant Grove neighborhood, Wayne and Harvey Fritzel, William Bull, J. D. Woodell, John Lewis and J. Baker.

Pheasant Feed—
The annual pheasant feed, which is held by old neighbors in the Imbler, Willow Creek and Summerville communities, is to be held next Saturday at the home of Mrs. Jeanette Tuttle at Rhinehart, according to reports.

Return Home—
Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Comstock returned home Sunday evening from Nampa, Ida., where they had been visiting with Mr. Comstock's parents.

Imbler Aid—
Members of the Imbler Ladies Aid society were guests last Wednesday of Mrs. Sam Knight at her home at Rhinehart and the attendance was very good, 12 members being present besides the hostess Mrs. C. W. Cleaver. Mrs. J. A. Gaskill presided over the business meeting. The program given was very interesting. Mrs. Knight was assisted by Ray Hayes in selling some very nice refreshments toward the close of the afternoon. The next meeting of this aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Harold Bingham.

Cuts Hand Badly—
Donna Lindsay, small daughter of Mrs. Hazel Lindsay of the Cove, lacerated her hand very severely when she was playing with a piece of tin Saturday afternoon.

Convention On—
Today at Union, members of the Methodist Ladies Aid societies of Union county are having their annual business meeting, dinner and program at Union. Mrs. Mabel Anson, of near Island City, president of the county organization, is in charge of the meeting.

Grange To Meet—
The regular meeting of the Blue Mt. Grange is to be held this coming Saturday at their hall near La Grande, beginning at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Improves—
Reports from Mrs. Louie Standley, who has been ill at her home in the Iowa district, are to the effect that she is improving. Miss Mildred Standley, who has been visiting on the campus of the University of Washington at Seattle, arrived home the first of this week.

In Pendleton—
Mrs. Walter Pierson Jr., of Portland, who is making an extended visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gaskill, of near Imbler, spent the weekend among her friends at Pendleton.

Better—
Children of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hulise of the Lone Star neighborhood were at last week but are better now, it is reported.

Allice Aid—
The meeting of the Allice Ladies Aid society postponed from this week will be held a week from tomorrow at the home of Mrs. Routh McKennon near Allice. This is the time for the annual election of officers. It is the meeting designated for some sewing and members are urged to bring their thimbles with them, and if memory serves us correctly, don't forget your glasses.

In La Grande—
Mrs. Everett Wallinger, of the Valeria district, visited Sunday at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Reavis and baby daughter in La Grande.

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Monday Tiff Hewitt came to town and let it be known that his brother, Carl Hewitt, aged 81, had left their farm home near Jimmy creek, northeast of North Powder last Friday night and had not returned or been seen since.

Carl had taken his rifle and it was first thought he had gone hunting. Friends and relatives became alarmed and a searching party was organized and the territory adjacent to the Hewitt farm and that of Hog mountains was covered under the leadership of Sheriff Jesse Breaners who had been notified of the missing man.

Following the telephone message from Keating, Mrs. Homer Pearson drove to Newbridge where a daughter of the lost man, Mrs. Fanny Wilcox, lives. Her father had not arrived there, but she had been visiting on the campus of the University of Washington at Seattle, arrived home the first of this week.

Wednesday night a telephone message from Mr. Wilkerson of Telocast, near Keating, Oregon, advised that for supper, and yesterday morning he returned to his home.

He stated that he had planned on visiting at Newbridge, but the long journey foot, probably changed his mind. Aside from fasting at times, it is thought he is no worse for his experience.

Visits From California—
Jay Martin, of San Diego Cal., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Nellie Martin, his sisters and brother and other old friends at the Cove. He arrived in the valley Sunday for a visit of a month or two, we are told. He went to California four years ago and this is his first visit home.

Entertain—
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huron of Brooks Lane entertained a few friends Saturday evening at their home. The evening was spent playing contract bridge and it was a very happy one.

In Walla Walla—
Mrs. Leone Stearns, who is spending several months in the valley, will visit in Lewiston, Ore., and drive to Walla Walla Friday to visit with friends.

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the basket bearers being Walter Huichison, Gene Becker, Clyde McKennie, Alex McKennie, C. C. Welch and Bob Kinnell.

Takes Second Place—
Now we learn that Miss Roberta Bell, of near the Cove, prominent 4-H club member who entered the club showmanship contests at the recent fair, the main event place in the Jersey showmanship contest. Her sister, Miss Gertrude, placed also.

Condition Very Serious—
The condition of John Hamann, valley farmer, now retired and living in La Grande, has become extremely serious within the last few days, Mr. Hamann has been confined to his bed for nearly three months and the decline which was gradual for the major part of the time has now become quite rapid, it is stated.

Home For Week—
Russell McKennon, assistant county agent of Malheur county, drove into the valley from Ontario Sunday and spent the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKennon near Imbler. Frank McKennon is in Ontario today on business.

Two-Year-Old Hens Should Be Culled With Care

Two-year-old hens that remain in the laying house do so either by luck or through careful selection, says W. D. Buchanan, state college extension poultryman. Those that exist beyond the second year, the poultryman either did not know how to cull them a year ago, or because he was careless in the process. No hen should be kept for a second year unless she furnishes some evidence that she is going to lay enough eggs to pay a profit.

Hens that have been culled intelligently are kept not only because they paid a profit the first year but because in the judgment of their owner, they are good enough to pay for the second year. The only question at the end of the second year is how many of these hens are good enough for a third year or how many of them will return a profit. Determining the laying ability of two-year-old hens is comparatively simple.

First, look at the eyes. If the eye of a two, three or four-year-old is getting dull, flat and sunken, her profitable days are over no matter how good she has been during the past year. The hen should be marketed without further examination. If the eye is bright, bulging and alert, the abdomen should be examined. If the abdomen is getting hard and solid and the skin is thick and leathery, the hen should be culled out. Indications are that most of her energy will be used to produce meat instead of eggs. If the abdomen is soft and pliable and the skin thin and fine, two and three-year-old hens should be kept.

A low or medium producer is usually indicated by an empty moult. She will shed the flight feathers of the wing, the tenth one from the outside drops first. The feathers usually drop one at a time and two weeks and a half later a complete moult is over. High producers drop their flight feathers two or three feathers at a time.

3431 Carloads Fruit Shipped

Led by marked increases in apple and pear movements, carloadings of northwest fruits and vegetables followed the national trend to higher totals last week when 3431 cars were shipped out, an increase of nearly 600 over the week previous, says Saturday's market review by the Oregon State college extension service.

Washington apples and Oregon and Washington pears account for practically all the increase, movement of apples having reached nearly peak volume. Jonathan lemons and plums in the lower districts with Delicious already started to move in earlier sections.

Extent of worm damage is still not fully determined though it is known to be serious in nearly all varieties, the situation having been aggravated by mid-summer weather conditions and lack of finances for late sprays. In the Wenatchee district Jonathan shipments will total only from 1900 to 1700 cars compared with a normal output of 2500 to 3000.

As a result market conditions are somewhat unsettled. Immense quantities of Jonathan were oversold recently with prices rising as a result. Last week demand was slower and prices declined 10 to 15 cents. Domestic apples in fair for apples, foreign trading continues upset because of many trade uncertainties.

Although final Bartlett pear prices recovered somewhat from the extreme low levels of mid season, most orange was too ripe to take advantage of the upturn and hundreds of tons went unharvested.

GLOVES ARE STRESSED IN WINTER STYLES

PARIS (AP)—Gloves are important in the fall and winter style picture. They are longer, designed in unusual fabrics and colors, and often trimmed. Where trimming is used it is concentrated on the cuffs, however, hands remaining severely plain.

Fur cuffs to match the collars of the ensembles with which they are worn are shown by many houses, while others use cuff trimmings of curled silk fringe resembling feathers.

Plain suede or antelope gauntlets reaching halfway to the elbow are seen in black, brown, gray and such unusual tints as mulberry red and blue green.

OREGON BUTTER SCORES 94 1/2 PER CENT AND WINS AT THE NATIONAL DAIRY MEET

Oregon butter, showing in competition with that from all the principal dairy sections of the country, won fourth place and scored highest overall cost samples at the National Dairy Council days, Washington, last week, according to reports received by the Oregon dairy council.

The winning sample, made in Portland by Adolphus Eriksen, head buttermaker, the dairyman, scored 94 1/2 per cent and was only beaten by fractional points by butter which was of much shorter shipment. Mr. Eriksen has won high honors in butter making at many former national shows.

That Oregon butter is of a standard quality to that of any section of the country is the belief of J. D. Mickle, division chief of the state department of agriculture. The quality of Oregon butter has improved within the last few years until it occupies a leading position in all coast markets and even commands a premium in some, according to Mr. Mickle.

"Oregon people do not realize how the cream grading and butter scoring regulations put in force within the past two years have raised the score of our market butter. At the Oregon state fair just passed we had samples of butter from Iowa, Minnesota, Tennessee and Michigan, and the highest from Washington and California, and the first five places were won by Oregon creameries, all with high scores," said Mr. Mickle.

The butter competition at the state fair was over a thirty day period, with judgment being passed on the score of the butter upon its arrival at Salem, again after fifteen days and again after a month. The highest average score, indicative of the keeping qualities of the butter, were used in compiling the final results.

The winner was the Carlton Co-operative creamery, second place went to Mt. Angel Co-operative creamery, Mt. Angel; third to Albany creamery, Albany; fourth and the fifth to Haven dairy, Portland; and sixth to the Swift Ice Company, dairy department, Portland.

Samples of market butter, as well as all other dairy products, will be shown at the Pacific Interstates Exposition, Oct. 15-22. This competition will attract nation-wide entries, it is indicated.

Predict Demand For Grass Feeders

Over the country as a whole there is an immense crop of coarse grain being raised. A corn crop of average 2,700,000 bushels is about made, and the feed barley harvested on the coast is close to a record. Good hay yields are the rule everywhere and the only hard part is to get the hay and straw put them through some form of livestock.

Middle western cattle feeders who are sending fat stock to market are looking for a handsome profit, often thirty to forty dollars an animal. This good news is bound to get around and we may expect to see a demand for grass feeders that will remove this class from killer competition. It is human nature for a man to try and recover his money where he lost it, and cattle feeders, who last season had their bank roll heavy and ready in a rough and careless manner by hard-boiled buyers at the market, are going to try and get back in the game.

Eastern Oregon and Idaho feeders have access to a huge supply of cheap feed. Hay at three and a half a ton, barley at ten dollars and oats at nine dollars a ton will give a man with a little nerve, plenty of opportunity to feed a bunch of cattle. The new Regional bank in Portland should be in a position within the next two weeks to advance funds for feeders and to the man with hay and grain and some knowledge of which end of a critter eats, this should be a chance to get rid of his crops.

We would certainly advise our cattle producers not to ship anything to market that is not fat and to hold their feeders until a little later. The demand will come once money is available. This is going to be the enormous supply of hog meat to hold down prices on beef, for even the Iowa pig raiser who is a glutton for punishment has about concluded that if he has a hundred head of hogs, one loses him five dollars that he would be as well off if he only raised fifty. The lamb grower whose cheap product has hurt the cattlemen, only has about a sixty per cent crop this year and most of this is on the way to market.

When we go out to dinner with a bunch of sheep men and hear them all order roast beef, it cheers us up. May their appetites increase.

Egg Quota Behind

Failure of egg production to show the gain anticipated has lent encouragement to the late fall futures egg markets, although the seasonal market advance to date is only average, says Saturday's Oregon State college extension service.

Crop extension reports are reporting to the federal service that both size of farm flocks and the number of eggs produced per flock continue to be behind the comparable figures of a year ago. Should prices advance further, however, it is considered probable that less culling of flocks will be carried out this fall than would otherwise have been done.

On the Pacific coast there was a moderate decline in egg production in all states, but in California the seasonal decline has been more severe than usual, tending to support the common opinion that production in that state this fall will be unusually light due to smaller and fewer farm flocks.

Interest in the September poultry market was centered largely in chickens although the increasing price of broilers has attracted attention of passing note. Low point in dressed poultry in cold storage since 1922 was reached the first of September.

WALLOWA PERSONALS

By G. C. Meek (Observer Correspondent)

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—W. M. Downing, who has been farming the farm home near Bear creek, moved his household goods to a farm in the upper part of the valley recently.

A large number of persons from this end of the county were in attendance for the Wallowa county fair at Enterprise Friday and Saturday. Many of those attending report the afternoon programs very good. Reports indicate that exhibits of farm products and livestock were very light this year, being confined but to 4-H club exhibits. Prof. C. A. Thompson and some of his agricultural class members were there with some entries in the pig and calf divisions.

Bruce Fisher, of Leap, was an Enterprise business visitor the latter part of the week.

Oscar Maxwell, of Middle valley, was in the Whiskey creek district the early part of the week gathering some of his cats which had strayed in from the washboard range.

L. W. Minor returned to his sheep camp in the Powwaw section the latter part of the week to continue a hunt for some 60 head of his sheep lost from the band recently. He reports the new grass starting up quite nicely on parts of the ranges there.

John Couch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Couch, of Leap, suffered a painful sprain to her knee recently while playing ball at the gymnasium.

Miss Ruth Weinhard, of Lower valley, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Mrs. L. W. Minor.

Miss Margaret Carlson, assisted by Mrs. L. W. Minor, gave a birthday dinner in honor of Miss Calahan's sister, Mrs. Harry Hearing at the latter's home at Evans Wednesday of last week.

H. C. Hearing recently brought in a number of beef cattle from his ranch on Day ridge and put them on green pasture at his farm in the valley.

Mrs. Bertha Taylor, of La Grande, spent the latter part of the week visiting at the Meek home at Leap.

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Farm Price Index Remains Same As Of Month Ago

On Aug. 15, in percentage of the 5-year average on corresponding dates from 1926 to 1930, Oregon farm price levels were: eggs, 61; chickens, 57; butterfat, 40; milk cows, 48; hogs, 37; sheep, 29; lambs, 32; wool, 25; beef cattle, 49; veal calves, 44; horses, 77; wheat, 99; oats, 50; barley, 50; hay, 65 and potatoes, 51.

Farm production is moderate but prices showed little change during the last month, says the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture, in its October 1 report on the farm situation. The farm price index stands at 59, the same as a month ago, compared to 52, the low point in June and 72 a year ago. Prices of cotton and wheat show a "slight improvement," as compared with prices of a year ago, but prices of hogs, dairy products and potatoes are "materially lower." The general level of beef cattle prices is reported at about the same as that of a year ago.

The bureau estimates the supply of wheat in North America at about 25,000,000 bushels more than last year's, and in Europe at about 50,000,000 bushels above that of a year ago, but says that prospects are substantially less wheat in Russia and China. The Southern Hemisphere harvest is still about two months away. United States wheat exports are reported to have been about one-third as large as those to date a year ago.

"From the standpoint of the United States farmer, the wheat situation at this time sums up about as follows," says G. A. Collier in a summary of the wheat situation: "First a fairly steady domestic milling demand for red spring wheat, high quality amber durum, and soft red winter. Second, a continued lack of export outlet for our surplus stocks of hard winter in the central and southern states and of white wheats in the Pacific northwest, because of reduced requirements in Europe, tariff and milling restrictions in importing areas, and sharp competition from Canadian and Southern Hemisphere supplies.

The bureau finds that "the eastward movement of grass cattle is not being hurried this fall because feed is abundant on the ranges. Feeding of the grain prices are regarded as favoring the feeder, but the availability of credit will largely govern the number bought for feeding. There has been no such early movement of lambs out of the west as there was last summer when the ranges were hit by drought, and a much larger proportion of the lambs moved to market have gone directly to slaughter rather than to Corn Belt feed lots."

Viewing the hog situation, the bureau says that "supplies of hogs for the winter marketing season—October to April—are smaller than last year's but for next summer larger supplies are a possibility. There are indications that this fall's pig crop may be larger than that of last fall. Moreover, cheap corn and feed crops well distributed, as is the case this fall, have usually resulted in the past in heavier feeding and in a larger pig crop the following spring."

Total milk production on September 1 is reported as "running about the same as at that time a year ago. Production per cow is the lowest in seven years, due chiefly to poor pastures and light grain feeding, but a four per cent decrease in milk per cow is about offset by four per cent more cows in the country."

Carlot shipments of fruits and vegetables are reported as "approaching their annual peak, averaging more than 3,000 cars per day."

WINTER NEGLIGES GO BACK TO 70'S

PARIS (AP)—Negligees for winter wear mark back to the elegant mode of the sophisticated seventies. The simple crepe design has given way to more elaborate models.

One negligee of pale mauve crepe with intricate incrustations of American beauty red is designed with sweeping sleeves and a train, and another of turquoise blue velveteen lined with silver cloth is caught at the hip with a cluster of silvered berries.

CAPE OF MONKEY FUR CHIC FOR FALL WEAR

PARIS (AP)—Monkey fur is displayed by one widely known furrier as the "black wool" in early fall chic. With a black wool frock shows a waist-length cape of monkey fur, a small muff and a little black tricorne hat trimmed with the same long haired pelt.

FILL ONE GRID POST

Chill and serve with whipped cream.

3 cups soft custard
1 can apricots
1 cup whipped cream
6 teaspoons shredded coconut

Pour custard into deep sherbet glasses. Top each with three apricots. Fill centers with whipped cream and sprinkle with coconut. Chill.

Baked Maple Custard

2 large eggs
1-8 teaspoon salt
1-3 cup maple or brown sugar
2 cups milk
1/2 teaspoon maple flavoring.

Beat the eggs lightly, and add the salt. Grind the maple sugar through fine food chopper, and add to the milk. Then beat the milk to scalding. In this way the small particles of the maple sugar are dissolved. Add to the beaten eggs, stirring during the addition. Pour into custard cups which have been rinsed in cold water. Set in a pan of hot water, and cook in a moderate oven until a knife stuck into the custard will come out clean. Remove from oven and chill over serving. Top with whipped cream.

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